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Mr. Dee Williamson  
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RE: Comments on the Proposed Plan and  
the Notice of Opportunity to  
Comment for the Monticello Vicinity  
Properties

Dear Mr. Williamson:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the State of Utah have reviewed and commented on the Proposed Plan and the Notice of Opportunity to Comment, prepared by the Department of Energy, for the Monticello Vicinity Properties as follows:

I. Proposed Plan: The Proposed Plan appears complete and acceptable with the exception of the following comments:

1. The purpose of the document should specifically states that it was developed in compliance with Section 117 (a) of CERCLA as amended by SARA.
2. Page 4, paragraph 2, last sentence. This sentence should also mention that Table 1 and Figure 2 include owner refusal sites.
3. Page 4, paragraph 2. More detail concerning the properties rescinded to EPA should be included. A proposed action for these properties should be included in the Proposed Plan.
4. Page 8, Community Involvement. A contact for EPA and one for the State of Utah including addresses and phone numbers should be included in the Community Involvement section. Also, a toll-free number should be made available to the citizens of Monticello for any questions that may arise from the Proposed Plan.
5. Page 8, paragraph 4, line 3. Cross out the words (the lead agency). DOE is actually a responsible party, not the lead agency.

5. Page 15, Appendix A, #2. The formula in the section 2 should be read as  $Shg = Sg$  instead of  $Shg - Sg$ . Also, this section should state what is the authorized limit for the vicinity properties.

We also have some minor editorial comments as follows:

1. Page 3, paragraph 1, line 7. The words "is believe" should be changed to "is believed."
2. Page 6, paragraph 5. The words "exposure to man" should be changed to "exposure to human."
3. Page 7, paragraph 2, line 2. The words "are appropriate" should be changed to "are applicable or relevant and appropriate."
4. Page 8, paragraph 3, line 2. the words "their is" should be changed to "there is."

II. Notice of Opportunity to Comment.

1. First paragraph, first sentence. Should be reworded as "the U.S. Department of Energy, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and the State of Utah are seeking public comments..."
2. The Notice of Opportunity should include Mr. Lam Nguyen of the U.S. EPA and Mr. Bob McCleod of the State of Utah as well Mr. Peter Mygatt of the U.S. DOE as possible contacts for information.
3. A toll-free number should be included for citizens with questions or needing information.

DOE collects comments from the public and should provide copies to EPA and the State of Utah.

If you have any questions regarding these comments, please contact me at FTS 564-1793.

Sincerely,



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